Big Darby Accord EDAW Team Approach and Process Description

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The following is a summary of the approach, process and general schedule for preparing a Big Darby Accord Watershed Plan. The schedule is subject to change.

Task 1: Project Initiation Task 2: Data Analysis

Tasks 1 and 2 will be initiated together. Task 1 includes gathering available and relevant data sources including reports, plans, documents, and mapping materials that will be the basis for our existing conditions analysis, holding numerous stakeholder interviews and exploring implementation tools. Task 2 includes an analysis of this information including the development of summary community profiles and development of a set of existing conditions maps. A **public meeting** will be held to review and validate data and obtain feedback on issues and opportunities to consider as we develop alternatives. Information and technical memos will be posted to the website.

Schedule: April – June

Task 3: Alternative Scenarios

Development of the alternatives will include the development of alternative land use scenarios and a GIS watershed model to generally describe observed water quality conditions in the watershed at select points and characterize the impact on those conditions associated with the various development scenarios. Alternatives analyses will include the consideration of advantages and disadvantages and the necessary implementation tools that would be required for each to help in evaluating the alternatives.

The goal of this task is to narrow the options to those that are feasible and acceptable to the Accord members. This will allow the Accord members and stakeholders to focus on components that need more discussion and exploration to reach a preferred alternative. A **public meeting** will be held to present the alternatives and gather feedback and information and technical memos will be posted to the website.

Schedule: June - August

Task 4: Draft Plan

The EDAW team will prepare the Draft Plan based on input from Task 3. The Draft Plan will be based on the preferred land use and implementation strategies. The report will include graphics and text and will be available through the project website. Elements of the Plan will include recommendations for environmental, land use, community facilities and services, transportation, development, development standards and implementation. The Draft Plan will be presented at a **public meeting**.

Schedule: September – October

Task 5: Final Plan

The EDAW team will revise the Draft Plan based on comments and feedback on the Draft Plan. We will present the Final Plan at a **public meeting**.

Schedule: November - December